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SUBJ: LEBANON: KHALID'S LETTER TO PRESIDENT CARTER

REF: STATE 206776

1. ESSENCE OF KHALID LETTER REPORTED REFTEL IS THAT THE FAULT
ALL LIES WITH ISRAEL AND THE CHRISTIANS. THIS IS THE UNFORTU-
NATE IMPRESSION GIVEN TO THE REST OF THE ARAB WORLD BY THE
CHRISTIAN-ISRAELI CONNECTION.

2. IN ANY EVENT, BELIEVE WE SHOULD REPLY TO KHALID WITH
STATEMENT THAT WE ARE DOING OUR BEST WITH THE KATAIB AND AHRAR

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AS WELL AS ISRAELIS, BUT THAT WE NEED HELP. SPECIFICALLY, WE
SHOULD SUGGEST SAUDIS SEND SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE HERE TO
DISCUSS SITUATION WITH CAMILLE CHAMOUN AND PIERRE GEMAYEL,
AS WELL AS WITH OTHER POLITICAL LEADERS AND GOL. WE THINK
DISPLAY OF INTEREST ON THEIR PART COULD BE VERY USEFUL. SUCH
A VISIT MIGHT ALSO HAVE SOME EDUCATIONAL VALUE FOR SAUDIS WHO
SEEM NOT TO UNDERSTAND NATURE AND EXTENT OF SYRIAN

BOMBARDMENTS HERE. PARKER UNQUOTE. VANCE

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